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For: ELECTRONIC VOTING METHOD AND  
SYSTEM AND RECORDING MEDIUM  
HAVING RECORDED THEREON A  
PROGRAM FOR IMPLEMENTING THE  
METHOD

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003 (Paper No. 3), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 18 of this paper.

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